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Serial No.: 10/781,448
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Viruses, Soluble Proteins And Peptides From Plant Sources
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

During the prosecution of the parent application Serial No. 09/970,150 Applicant filed the following listed Information Disclosure Statements and Forms PTO-1449, and received the following listed Form PTO-892 from the Patent and Trademark Office, copies of which are attached hereto. Copies of the cited references are not being enclosed since they are available in the parent file.

1. Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 dated January 14, 2002.
2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 dated May 1, 2003.
3. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 dated April 16, 2004.
4. Form PTO-1449 date stamped May 6, 2003 by Patent and

Trademark Office.

5. Form PTO-1449 date stamped January 29, 2002 by Patent and Trademark Office.
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A new Form PTO-1449 listing all of the references is included for the Examiner's convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

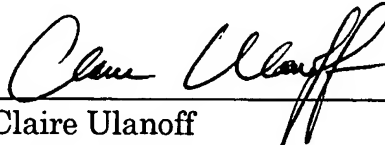


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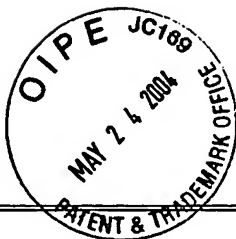
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

To The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Applicants and their attorneys are aware of the prior art references listed on
the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the cited references are also enclosed.

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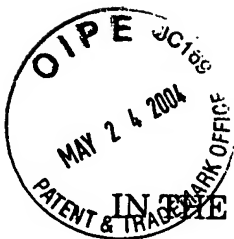
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant hereby calls to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the following patents and other documents which are listed on attached Form PTO-1449.

Each document listed in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from the United States Patent Office in a counterpart PCT application, and this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

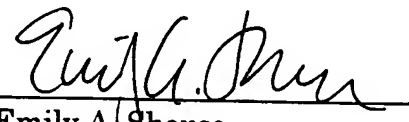
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Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that these references be considered by the Examiner and made of record as part of the "available prior art" under 37 C.F.R. §1.104.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 23-0035.

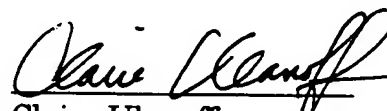
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in Section 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final Action or a Notice of Allowance. Under the provisions of 37 C.F. R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p).

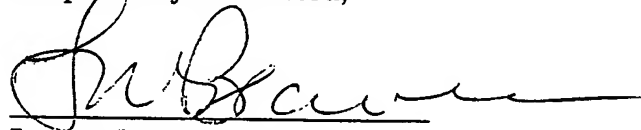
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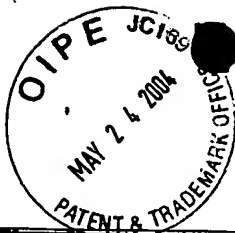
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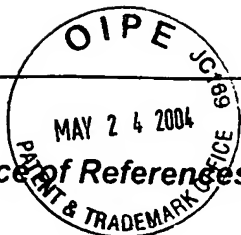
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